

TANF SERVICES FUNDED IN WISCONSIN

BADGER CHALLENGE PROGRAM
(VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUTH)

Program Description:

Administered by the Department of Military Affairs, The Badger Challenge Program is a two-phase program for youth, ages 14 to 16, who are at risk of dropping out of school. Participants must voluntarily agree to attend the program and be drug-free during their stay. Phase I consists of a six week residential stay where cadets participate in activities to improve anger management, teamwork, leadership, value-based decision making and personal growth. Phase II consists of post residential mentoring with community volunteers. A coordinator position organizes mentor-related activities in the various communities where Badger Challenge Program graduates are located.

Client Group Served:

Program participants funded with TANF must be members of TANF-eligible families under 200 percent of the FPL.

Critical Indicators:

In 2000, 80 youth enrolled in the program and 75 graduated.

TOTAL TANF FUNDING: \$83,000